GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services - Horticulture Department- Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services- Amendment to Special Rules- Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (H&S) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 3 Dated: 18-01-2019

Read the following:-

1) G.O.Ms. No.776, Food and Agriculture ( Agriculture- II) Department , dated: 15.09.1989.
2) G.O.Ms.No.355, Food & Agriculture (Agri.III) Department, dated: 07.03.1992.
3) G.O.Ms.No.12, Agriculture & Cooperation (HORTI) Department, dated: 11.01.1996.
4) From the Commissioner of Horticulture, A.P., Guntur , letter. No.Estt.I(1)20/2016, Dt:31.12.2018.

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**ORDER:-**

In the G.O. first read above, Government have issued Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services and certain amendments were issued to the said Rules in the G.Os second and third read above.

2. The Commissioner of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur in his letter 4th read above, has stated that a separate Horticultural University was established in the State of Andhra Pradesh on 26th June 2007 by Act 30 of 2007 and renamed as Dr. Y.S.R. Horticultural University w.e.f. 18th April 2011 by Act 13 of 2011. The eligibility qualification for requirement of Horticulture Officer were prescribed by the Government which was issued before establishment of separate Horticultural University in the State. Dr. Y.S.R. Horticultural University is offering four year B.Sc (Hons) Horticulture Professional course since 2007, with a present intake of (540) students every academic year. Hence sufficient number of B.Sc (Horticulture) graduates are available in the State at present. Further similar course do not exist in any of the University Grants Commission (UGC) institutions which awards 3 year B.Sc with Horticulture specialization and that cannot be treated on par with B.Sc (Hons) Horticulture being awarded by ICAR accredited Universities / Institutes. Further the students with M.Sc (Agriculture) with specialization in Horticulture and also B.Sc (Agriculture) candidates in respect of SC/ST need not be considered as the B.Sc (Horticulture) graduates are sufficiently available in the State.

3. Therefore, the Commissioner of Horticulture, A.P., Guntur has requested to issue suitable amendment to Rule-5 of the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Service Rules, 1989.

4. The Government after careful examination of the above proposal of Commissioner of Horticulture, A.P., Guntur, hereby decided to issue amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Service Rules, 1989 issued in G.O.Ms.No.776, Food and Agriculture (Agri- II) Department, Dated: 15.09.1989 as subsequently amended from time to time.

(P.T.O)

5. The following notification will be published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette:

**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendments to the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services Rules, 1989 issued in G.O.Ms.No.776, Food and Agriculture (Agriculture –II) Department , dated: 15.09.1989 as subsequently amended from time to time.

**AMENDMENT**

In the Annexure to the said rules, for the existing entries against category-5 Horticulture Officer in column (1) and the entries relating thereto in columns (2) and (3) the following entries shall be substituted, namely, -

| Category | Method of appointment | Qualification |
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| **1** | **2** | **3** |
| "5- Horticulture Officer | By direct recruitment | Must possess Four year B.Sc. Degree/B.Sc. (Hons) Degree in Horticulture of a recognized University in the State or any other University accredited by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi. |
| | By appointment by transfer | Must possess Four year B.Sc. Degree / BSc. (Hons) Degree in Horticulture of a recognized University in the State or any other University accredited by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) Ministry of Agriculture and Formers Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi.<br><br>1) Agriculture Department Test till the Horticulture Department Test is prescribed and;<br>2) Accounts Test for Executive Officers." |

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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EX.OFFICIO SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (H&S)

To
The Director of Printing, Stationary & Stores Purchase (Printing Wing)
Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Commissioner of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

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SECTION OFFICER